

PATCHING UP TAX MEASURE

Bill for State Commission Amended.

MANY CHANGES ARE MADE

Administration Leaders Forced to Accept Alterations.

Proposed Law So Full of Defects that Substitute Has to Be Prepared—Final Action Not Taken.

The House of Representatives does not take kindly to the Tax Commission bill. Not content with the defeat of the bill Saturday, by a close vote, and the reconsideration of it, even on the demand of the administration workers, and with the administration whip cracked until there was danger of wearing out the lash, accepted only on the condition that the bill should be gone over in detail by the committee on Ways and Means, the recalcitrant members insisted on amendment after amendment to the measure as it was reported back from the hands of the committee.

Many of these amendments were accepted by the leaders of the administration forces on the measure, and others were strenuously opposed. Some were opposed strongly at first, the leaders later gracefully yielding. No. 759, were so numerous that they were incorporated in a new bill, which was presented as a substitute, in order that all the committee amendments might be voted upon at one time. Instead of requiring fifteen or twenty separate roll calls.

The bill was called up by Mr. John of Jefferson County during the afternoon session, and amendments, many of them relating to comparatively minor features of the bill, but all containing merit sufficient to enlist the sympathy of the House, were immediately presented by those who have been contending the measure was not in proper form.

Mr. Sample of Morgan County and Mr. Lee of Houston, two members of the Ways and Means Committee, who had been voted down in committee meeting, presented many of the amendments, the same or practically the same as those turned down in committee, and the House adopted them, one after another.

As soon as the committee substitute had been read, Mr. Tunstall of Hale offered an amendment providing that appeals from decisions of the State Tax Commission might be made to the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, in cases where the property in question was in more than one county. It was promptly adopted.

Mr. Lee of Houston offered an amendment, which was likewise adopted, making appeals from decisions by the Commission act as a supersedeas.

Mr. Sample of Morgan proposed to allow pay to not more than two witnesses for the property owner, in case he should be successful in his litigation before the Commission. This was adopted.

The same course was followed with an amendment by Mr. Foster of Tuscaloosa to relieve bankers from the necessity of telling the Commission how much his depositors have in the bank. Mr. Sample of Morgan proposed to strike out the provision in the bill making the Governor give his consent to the appointment of county tax commissioners, and giving him authority to remove the county commissioners.

Mr. Sample argued for his amendment. Mr. Maner of Montgomery opposed it, and moved to lay it on the table, which was done.

Another amendment by Mr. Sample proposed to prohibit the State Tax Commission from raising an assessment after it had once been raised, during the same year by a county tax commission, thus forcing the property owner to a second trial in a short time.

Mr. Long of Butler opposed the motion, saying the bill was aimed at bears, not at sparrows, and the common sense of members would tell them no second raise was contemplated against any small farmers.

Who are the 'bears' you are aiming at? asked Mr. Pitts of Dallas. "They are the trusts and the big corporations which own the greater part of the property, and do not pay their fair share of the taxes," responded Mr. Long.

With the amendment still undisposed of Mr. Haley of Jefferson called attention to the fact that it was 5:45 o'clock, and there would be serious difficulty in getting a quorum if the session, if adjournment were not taken at once.

Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Bates have returned to Bates Farm after spending a few days here with relatives.

Messrs. Robert and Gilbert Nicolson of Chicago are here with relatives.

Miss Annie Nell, who has been here for the past several weeks, has gone to Texas.

Miss Grimes of Pine Apple passed through here today en route to Montgomery.

Mrs. J. Hurling and daughters, Misses Marie and Elizabeth and Mrs. Charles Hurling of Manistee, are in the city today.

FOR MAYOR OF CAMDEN.

Messrs. Caldwell and Neville are the candidates.

Camden, Feb. 26.—(Special.)—The municipal election will occur on March 11. The candidates for Mayor are P. E. Caldwell and E. H. Neville. There are twelve candidates for Alderman.

The postoffice has been moved into new quarters, in the Jones building, which has just been finished. The new office has combination lock boxes and is thoroughly up to date.

Many new residences are being erected and the town is putting on a city-like appearance.

The regular monthly meeting of County Court was held yesterday, but the docket was very light and only one case was disposed of.

Touched for Jewels.

Paris, Feb. 26.—M. Schiff, a prominent jeweler, has lost jewels valued at \$200,000. Schiff went to the postoffice Saturday and while writing a telegram, placed the parcel containing jewels on the floor. When he looked back, his package had disappeared. There is no clue to the thief.

Major Penrose Ill.

San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 26.—Owing to the illness of Major Penrose, the courtmartial proceedings were postponed until tomorrow.

ALABAMA PROGRESS

MANY LARGE NEW ENTERPRISES ARE REPORTED.

Big Deals in Pine Timber Are Made in Southern Part of State—Railroads Are Projected.

Columbus, Ga., Feb. 26.—(Special.)—Large transactions reported in the pine timber industry for this week illustrated the magnitude and great value of the pine timber interests in the belt extending across the southern portions of the two States.

A deal which involves 100,000,000 feet of timber, situated about 150 miles north of Mobile, Ala., has been consummated. Alabama and Georgia capitalists, composed of Georgia and Florida capitalists, has purchased 200,000,000 feet of timber and will build a railroad at a cost of \$1,000,000. Another lumber company, with capital stock of \$1,000,000, has purchased a railroad seventeen miles in length and will extend it fifteen miles, and possibly an additional forty miles.

An important industrial development in Alabama is the projection of a railroad from the Birmingham district down the Cahaba valley to Selma, Ala., from where it is proposed to operate a line of river barges to Mobile. The Cahaba Valley Railway and the Alabama River Barge Line are the two names of the project.

A Philadelphia company has purchased a cotton mill at Oxford, Ala., and will quadruple its capacity; a gas plant will be constructed at the same place at a cost of \$100,000; at Anniston, \$40,000 will be expended in improving a power plant; a \$100,000 plant will be established near Mobile to develop an extensive deposit of Fuller's earth; a company with \$55,000 capital stock has been organized to sink wells for oil near McWilliams; a company has been formed to engage in coal mining at Alton, Ala., and it is building a road incorporated at Bessemer to manufacture vehicles.

Among other things reported by the index are: Coffin factory, canning factory, steamship, building, brick and tile plant, brick and sewer pipe plant, two churches, two city halls, four hotels, two theatres, two light plants, apartment house, auditorium, paying plant in two cities, municipal bond issues, contract awards, business buildings and residences. Mention is made of the issuance of a permit to Mobile for the construction of a \$1,000,000 building, reported by the index in September last.

THE TEXAS WONDER. Cures All Kidney, Bladder and Rheumatic Troubles, sold by all druggists, or two months treatment by mail for \$1. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2326 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo. Send for Ala. testimonials.

TOWRY NOT GUILTY. Acquittal of Young Man Who Was in Sensational Duel. Huntville, Feb. 26.—(Special.)—Fenton Towry, charged with the murder of Walter Graham, has been found not guilty by a jury in the Circuit Court of Dale County. Towry, who is charged with the same crime, will be nolle prossed when it is called for trial tomorrow.

Walter Graham was killed when the two Graham brothers met the two Towry brothers in a battle with pistols on the public highway near Hazel Green. The fight was a sensational affair. It was the outbreak of a boy's feud which had been smoldering for some time.

After the shooting, which occurred nearly three years ago, the Towry boys were indicted for murder and their cases have been before the courts several times. They were prisoners in the Madison county jail when it was set afire by the mob that lynched Horace Maples.

Addison White, Jr., of Huntville, has passed the examination which wins for him one of the scholarships provided by the late Cecil Rhodes in the University at Oxford, Eng. Mr. White is a son of D. I. White, a prominent attorney of this city.

C. G. McBroom, one of the oldest residents of Madison county, is dead at his home near Gurley. He was eighty-four years old and was a Confederate veteran.

The Best Roses, The Best Carnations, The Best Potted Plants, The Best Bridal Bouquets, The Best Church and Home Decorations, The Best Palms and Ferns, Are to be had of Rosemont Gardens.

FINE HOME BURNED. Destruction of E. G. Kirkland's Residence Near Florence. Florence, Feb. 26.—(Special.)—The home of E. G. Kirkland, five miles north east of Florence, has been burned to the ground.

The house was just completed last September at a cost of between \$4,000 and \$5,000, including the furnishings, and was insured for only \$500. Mrs. Kirkland had just stepped out of the house when it caught, supposedly from a log rolling off the fireplace.

Trinity Church Messenger is the name of a new publication here and as its title indicates, it is entirely devoted to church and religious matters. The paper is issued weekly and the editor is the rector of Trinity Church, Rev. R. R. Harris.

DEATH OF MRS. MARLOWE. A Prominent Woman of Tuscaloosa Passes Away. Tuscaloosa, Feb. 26.—(Special.)—Mrs. Sene Rice Marlowe died at her residence at 4 o'clock this morning after an illness of several weeks.

Mrs. Marlowe was a member of one of the oldest and most prominent families in Tuscaloosa. She was born and reared here and had almost reached her sixtieth year. She was formerly Miss Sene Rice Clements, daughter of Mrs. Hardy Clements, her mother having been Miss Maria Penney, the daughter of the late Hon. Newton Nash Clements.

March 20, 1870, she was married to Dr. Nicholas Perkins Marlowe, a noted physician whose death occurred in 1893. Mrs. Marlowe was a member of the Baptist Church and greatly beloved by all who knew her. She leaves two daughters, Misses Annie and Marlowe Marlowe and one son, Dr. Seary Marlowe.

President B. F. Giles and Miss Bullock of the Central College faculty and Messrs. Norbert Daniel and Evelyn Jackson, students at Central College, have returned from Selma, where they went to attend the marriage of Miss Evelyn Daniel to Mr. T. L. Nichols.

The ceremony was performed by Dr. Giles in the presence of a few friends and relatives in the parlors of the Hotel Albert. The bridegroom is a prominent business man of Clarkdale, Ark. The bride is well known and much admired in Tuscaloosa, where she attended school for three years.

Signs 2-Cent Fare Bill. Indianapolis Ind., Feb. 26.—Governor Hanly today signed the 2-cent fare act.

Widow of Murdered Man Asks For Clemency of His Slayer.

Supplanted by the weeping wife and child of the murdered man, and implored by the wife and daughter of the victim, who joined their tears and prayers with the family of the man who had taken husband and father from them, Governor Comer yesterday declined to pardon George H. Porter, serving a fifteen year sentence for the murder of J. W. McMahon, but acting upon the recommendation of the Board of Pardons, granted him parole of fifteen days that he might visit his baby daughter, dying with pneumonia.

The office of the Governor of Alabama to whom have been made so many thousands of heartrending appeals for executive clemency to wayward but none the less loved husband or brother, had never presented a scene more dramatic than that of yesterday, when Governor Comer listened to the appeals of Mrs. Porter and Mrs. McMahon, both of whom wept almost constantly, and looked into the tearful eyes of the children with them. Mrs. McMahon, accompanied by a little girl of 3 years, Mrs. McMahon by her handsome 15-year-old daughter, and the appeal they made was eloquent.

In the presence of the Porters and the McMahons, the Board of Pardons met at the residence of Porter's youngest child lies ill with pneumonia and his wife had come to ask a pardon or at least a parole, that her husband, working out the weary years of his sentence in a lumber camp of Baldwin County, might go there to see, perhaps for the last time, his baby girl, and Mrs. McMahon, putting back into the past the ever present memory of the deed that had made her widow, remembering only the sufferings of another mother, prayed, too, that Porter should have his liberty for at least a little while. To strengthen his prayer she offered testimony which, had it been brought out at Porter's trial, might have lessened the sentence or prevented his conviction.

George H. Porter was convicted in 1905 of the murder of J. W. McMahon, at Shelby Springs, Shelby County, where he was manager of the Shelby Springs Hotel and Mineral Springs. Porter claimed he shot in self defense, but at the trial it was shown McMahon was not armed. Porter was sentenced to serve a term of fifteen years and was placed in a convict camp in Baldwin County. It is said Mrs. McMahon stated yesterday that her husband was shot at the time he was shot, and this evidence may have weight if a further consideration of the case should be determined upon.

ENDORSES LEE BILL. ETOWAH COUNTY DEMOCRATS HOLD A MEETING. Committee Seeks to Bring Harmony to Senator Hammer and Two Representatives of the News of Gadsden.

Gadsden, Feb. 26.—(Special.)—The Democratic Executive Committee of Etowah County met at the court house today at 12 o'clock, pursuant to a call issued by Chairman W. T. Murphree, to take action on the local temperance bills pending before the legislature. An effort to secure the enactment of a law which will meet the demands of the people of Etowah County and settle the difficulties between Representatives Lee and Smith and Senator Hammer as to the terms of the bill.

Both of the bills were read, and discussion was invited. It was decided by the members of the committee that the Lee bill was fully adequate to meet the demands, but that Mr. Hammer's bill did not come up to the requirements, and it was therefore decided to endorse the house bill and urge its immediate passage.

In answer to this objection it was stated that the committee had no desire to overrule and resolutions endorsing the Lee bill were adopted and ordered sent to the legislature.

Big Mill for Fort Payne. It is reported here today that one of the largest knitting mills ever located in the South, will shortly be established at Fort Payne in DeKalb County. While names of the promoters are not made public, it is assumed that they are said to be Northern capitalists experienced in the business and to have already purchased a building and site for the mill.

Mr. Schuler Will Resume. It was announced today that E. T. Schuler, Vice-President of the Southern Steel Company, will resume the duties of the company here, on March 1, at which time J. P. Shaddick will retire.

Mr. Schuler has personally directed the operation of the plant here since its establishment several years ago except for the past eighteen months, when it has been in charge of Mr. Shaddick.

Postmaster in a Fight. Joseph S. Franklin, assistant postmaster at Alabama City, who was in a fight at the plant of the Southern Steel Company a few days ago, has reported the matter to the post office authorities at Washington.

Franklin says he entered the premises to deliver a special delivery letter and was roughly handled by two special deputy sheriffs, who had ordered him to leave. Franklin is a lawyer, and it is alleged that he has annoyed the company in attempts to collect debts.

TEACHERS OF BARBOUR. They Hold an Enthusiastic Meeting at Clio. Clayton, Feb. 26.—(Special.)—Much interest was manifested in the recent Institute for the teachers of Barbour County, held at Clio.

County Superintendent B. Davis was present and presided. Quite a number of teachers and trustees from various parts of the county, and a good local attendance of the citizens of Clio, were present. Superintendent Davis called attention to important parts of the school law and gave instruction as to

the duties of teachers and trustees respectively.

Addresses were made by J. S. Espy, D. W. McLean, R. W. Little and H. J. Stringfellow, and Misses Bessie Young and Bettie Blair, each read a paper.

A library committee was appointed with Miss Bessie Young as chairman. This committee will take steps for the establishment of a library in every school in the county. A teachers' association was also organized, which will meet semi-annually, and will be conducted by experienced educators from within and without the county and State.

An epidemic of la grippe is prevalent in this section and many are suffering from its effects. Among the sufferers is a little daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Smart, who now has a pronounced case of pneumonia and serious fears are entertained for recovery.

Rev. J. V. Dickinson, D. D., and family will soon move to Tuscaloosa. Dr. Dickinson has been pastor of the Baptist Church here for a year, but has recently accepted employment as evangelist under the auspices of the State Board of Missions, and will hereafter be actively engaged in this work with headquarters at Tuscaloosa. He is succeeded in the pastorate of the Baptist Church here by Rev. Mr. Yarbrough of Ozark.

There will be a district Sunday school meeting in Eufaula next Saturday and Sunday, which will be participated in by a number of home workers of talent and experience and by Judge Joseph Cartel of Montgomery and Miss Minnie E. Kennedy of Opelika, representing the State Department of Interdenominational Sunday school work.

REPTON BANK OPENS. Fourth Institution in Conecuh County Ready for Business. Evergreen, Feb. 26.—(Special.)—The Repton State Bank, at Repton, this County, opened for business yesterday.

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Rural routes have been ordered established as follows: April 16, Clayton, Barbour County, route No. 4, population 352, families, 88; May 1, Ecleptic, Elmore County, route No. 3, population (not given), families 120; Harris, Barbour County, route No. 1, population 412, families 102.

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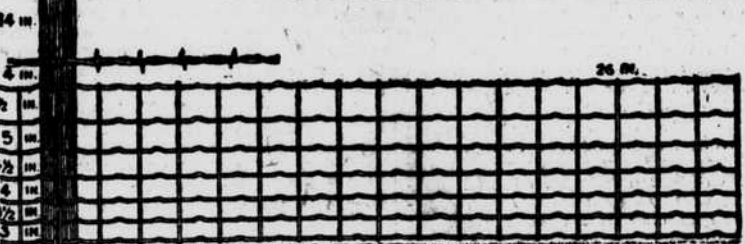
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